



## COMMANDING GENERAL'S | AVIATION SUPPORT TEAM

The MNTF - E Commanding General's aircraft, *EAGLE 1*, standing by for BG Earhart at a remote landing site in eastern Kosovo.



### PASSENGER SAFETY & INFORMATION BRIEFING

In anticipation of your flight on the MNTF-E | KFOR Commanding General's aircraft, I'd like to impress upon you that conducting safe aviation operations is at the heart of our operational plan.

The CG's *Aviation Support Team* operates UH-60/Blackhawk helicopters and is ready to respond to the CG's unique travel and security requirements on a 24/7 basis.

Helicopters are noise intensive. For your safety, and for the safety of your fellow passengers, please maintain a heightened sense of situational awareness when you are moving in and around our aircraft.

Thank you in advance for following the directions from the CG's *Aviation Support Team* and *Personal Security Detachment*.

If you have specific questions prior to your trip, please contact the Team Leader, CW4 Phil Jennings.



**LTC Steve Fritz**  
 COMMANDER, *Task Force Eagle*  
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I'd like to join BG Earhart in welcoming you on board *EAGLE 1*, the MNTF - E Commanding General's aircraft.

To assist you in planning for your flight with us, please familiarize yourself with our *Safety Procedures* and *General Information*, both of which are outlined below.

Military personnel are required to have their military ID card, their KFOR ID card, and their ID tags with them while on board the CG's aircraft.

Please contact me via E-mail if you have specific questions not answered by the information provided in this *Passenger Safety & Information Briefing*.

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TEAM LEADER, CG's AVIATION SUPPORT TEAM

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# SAFETY PROCEDURES

## UH-60/BLACKHAWK



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- **WARNING!** For your safety, and for the safety of the other passengers, take all directions and all loading/unloading instructions from the Crew Chiefs.
- **WARNING!** Only enter and exit the aircraft from the SIDE DOORS.
- **WARNING!** DO NOT approach the aircraft from the NOSE or TAIL.
- **Emergencies.** In the event of an emergency, please comply with the instructions from the Pilots and Crew Chiefs.
- **Emergencies.** In the event of an emergency landing, be cognizant of whether the rotor blades have stopped turning before exiting the aircraft through the doors or windows.
- **Doors.** Except in the event of an emergency, do not open the side doors without authorization from the Crew Chiefs.
- **Survival Equipment.** Our aircraft are equipped with: (3) first aid kits, (2) fire extinguishers, (1) crash axe, and extreme weather survival equipment.
- **Survival Vests.** Each crew member wears a survival vest with emergency equipment including a survival radio. In the event of an emergency landing and/or survival situation, use the contents of the vests.
- **Hearing Protection.** Please use the headset provided to you by the Crew Chiefs and/or foam ear plugs.
- **Hats, Helmets, and IBA.** ACU and/or knit hats are not permitted around the aircraft. Unless your mission requires them, Kevlar helmets and IBA are not required.
- **Seat Belts.** Our aircraft have four point seat belt harnesses. Fasten the seat belt first then adjust the shoulder straps.
- **Seat Belts.** Keep your seat belt harness fastened until directed by the Crew Chiefs to release it.
- **Cabin Movements.** Movement within the aircraft is subject to the approval of the Crew Chiefs.
- **Smoking.** Smoking is not permitted in or around the aircraft at any time.
- **Weapons.** Weapons are allowed in the aircraft provided there are no chambered rounds or inserted magazines.
- **Force Protection.** We have adequate provisions for Force Protection on board. Nevertheless, to assist us in planning for Force Protection contingencies, please inform the Crew Chiefs if you have a concealed weapon.
- **Muzzle Discipline.** If you have a weapon, ensure your weapon muzzle is pointed downward at all times.







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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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- **Flexibility.** The CG's travel requirements are influenced by contingency operations that, in some cases, require last minute adjustments to our daily itinerary.
- **Speeds & Altitudes.** We typically fly between 80 – 150 knots and between 500 and 9,000 feet above the ground.
- **Weather.** The weather in the Balkans is exceptionally dynamic. Accordingly, please dress for the worst weather during the season in which you will fly with us.
- **Communications.** We have secure long-range communications capabilities on board. If you must transmit an urgent message, please advise a member of the crew and we will accommodate you.
- **NVG/HUD.** To facilitate safe operations at night, our aircraft are equipped with Night Vision Goggles and Heads-Up Display capabilities.
- **GPS.** Our aircraft are equipped with Global Positioning System equipment.
- **Medical Care.** In the event of a medical emergency, our Crew Chiefs are qualified and equipped Combat Lifesavers.
- **Food.** Our aircraft do not have restrooms or food provisions. You are welcome to bring beverages and snacks. MRE heaters may not be used in-flight.
- **Airsickness.** If you are pre-disposed to getting air sick, or if you sense an impending



ing airsickness 'event', please advise the Crew Chief and we will provide you with an airsickness bag.

- **Seating Assignments.** Please be prepared for a member of the CG's Personal Security Detachment or a Crew Chief to direct you to a specific seat.
- **Photography.** Photography (including flashes) and video are permitted while on board the aircraft.
- **Photography: PSD.** Photos of members of the Personal Security Detachment are not authorized without their express permission.
- **Refuel Operations.** During re-fuel operations at Camp Bondsteel, you will be directed to a Passenger Marshaling Area.
- **Carry-on Baggage.** You are welcome to bring a personal carry-on bag with you.
- **Special Baggage Requirements.** If you have special baggage or cargo requirements, please communicate them to the Team Leader prior to your trip with us.
- **Baggage Security.** We do not conduct tours of the CG's aircraft. Accordingly, you are welcome to leave your personal carry-on bag in the aircraft during a meeting or event.

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PILOT

*Rotates on a Weekly Basis*

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SGT Keith Krajco  
SGT Jason Pruitt  
SPC Royce Sessums  
SGT Reggie Smith  
SGT Frank Winkel



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